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Honorable Members of the Court,

You have called for public comment of the proposed new Rule 8.4(g) of the Professional Rules of Conduct for Montana Attorneys. As a concerned citizen of Montana, I hereby submit my request that you reject this rule for the following reasons. This rule infringes upon religious freedom as well as freedom of speech. Adding sexual preference and gender identity to this rule discriminates against an attorney who might speak to their convictions regarding the issue. Rules as you have proposed, against discrimination, should only pertain to amoral qualifications.

Sincerely,


Amy Regier

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